

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

PAUL M. McELFRESH, et al.

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For: HYDRAULIC FRACTURING

NON-IONIC SURFACTANT

GELLING AGENT

PATENT

Group Art Unit: 1721

Examiner: P. Tucker

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111 AND
SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT OF DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §1.56

Box Non-Fee Amendment
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated May 2, 2000, setting a shortened statutory period for response of three months in the above-cited case, please enter the following amendment.

In the Specification

On page 4, lines 4-5, please delete the phrase " , which should be understood as dipropylamine oxide since both R' groups are propyl". It was discovered that this portion of the description may be inadvertently inaccurate.

In the Claims

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

- 1. (Twice Amended) A method for treating a subterranean formation comprising:
providing an aqueous viscoelastic treating fluid having:

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